

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant	:	Culbert et al.
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Examiner	:	Richard R. Schaffer
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**AMENDMENT****Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

The present amendment and remarks are in response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2006. Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.